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*NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL*

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application entitled

**EXPANSION SHELL ASSEMBLY**

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1. **Type of Application**

Original (non-provisional)

2. **Required Papers Enclosed under 37 CFR 1.53(b) (Regular):**

25 Pages of specification

8 Pages of claims

1 Page of Abstract

10 Sheets of Formal/Informal Drawings (Figures 1-10)

*(Copy of original specification, claims, abstract, drawings)*

3. **Declaration or oath**

Enclosed (*Copy of original declaration*)

4. **Preliminary Amendment**

Enclosed

5. **Assignment**

An assignment of the invention to:

A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed as well as the "Assignment Recordation Form Cover Sheet".

6. **Priority**

This application is a continuation of prior application U.S. Serial No.10/044,467 filed January 11, 2002, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/261,495, filed on January 12, 2001.

7. **Information Disclosure Statement**

Enclosed       Form 1449 PTO       References

8.  **Applicant claims small entity status (see 37 CFR 1.27).**

**9. Fee Calculation (37 CFR 1.16)**

<b>CLAIMS AS FILED</b>				
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TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(c))	17 - 20 =	0	x \$ 9	= \$0.00
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MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (IF APPLICABLE) (37 CFR 1.16(d))		ANY -- 0	\$ 145	= \$0.00
		BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16(a))		\$385.00
			TOTAL =	\$ 428.00

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**11. Authorization to Charge Deposit Account**

- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following additional fees or credit any overpayment during the entire pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 06-0308.
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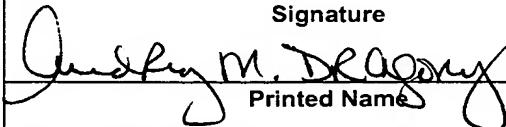
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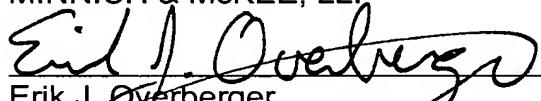
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Dear Sir:

Applicant submits ten (10) sheets of formal drawings, FIGURES 1a-10b, herewith. Although no fees are believed to be required, applicant authorizes and requests any additional fees be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-0308. An early indication of acceptability of the Formal Drawings is earnestly solicited.

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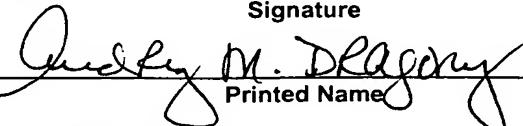
  
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